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As We See It

ONE POLICY THAT NEEDS REVAMPING

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Elsewhere on this page will be found excerpts from an article which appeared recently in the Italian magazine *Oratori del Giorno*. This article is quite significant since it brings into sharp focus the thinking of Italian journalists in the matter of crime and its ramifications in the United States. We are indebted to Grand Venerable Luigi Scala of Rhode Island for bringing it to our attention. And further we are grateful to Brother Scala for the English translation from the Italian.

The sentiments expressed in the Italian magazine article have been a long time coming. We have been puzzled for some time as to why the Italian press has remained silent in the matter of American criminals being deported to Italy. Obviously our brethren across the seas are now concerned as to the influence these deported criminals are exerting in Italy. And it is apparent that the Italian press has at long last got its dander up. Frankly, we hope that our Italian journalist friends are fighting mad and that some of this will brush off in official Italian government circles.

Time for Action

We say this because we think that it is high time that something forthright is done on all sides in this question of deporting criminals to Italy solely on the basis that they were born in Italy.

We have no fault to find with the deportation of persons, either in high or low places, if they entered this country illegally. But the deportation of criminals to Italy just because they happened to have been born in that country is a horse of another color.

There is much more to this problem than appears on surface. Some time ago we warned our brethren in Italy what would happen if the Italian press, or the Italian government for that matter did not raise their voices against the practice of the United States government of dumping unwanted criminals on Italian shores. We said on several occasions that indifference to this problem would some day come back to haunt our Italian brethren. We did not press the matter at the time for fear that it would be said that we were trying to interfere in the internal affairs of Italy.

Our approach to this problem is quite objective. It is not our intention nor has it ever been our intent to give aid and comfort to those who flaunt the law. When

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MARCELLO

Wear Purple on Columbus Day

Columbus Day 1961—the official national holiday of the Order Sons of Italy in America—will be celebrated by all Grand Lodges and filial lodges with appropriate ceremonies.

All members of the Order will wear purple, official color of the Order, on October 12.

The Order, since its inception in 1905, has been observing Columbus Day on a national scale and is working continuously towards its ultimate goal—that Congress make Oct. 12 a national holiday.

U. S. Deportation Policy Assailed

Italian Press Reacts At Last

A man called Frank Costello (alias Francesco Castiglia) born in some small locality of the Naples region about 70 years ago, has been deprived of his American citizenship; or, better still, a citizenship which, more or less cherished by him for several decades, has been revoked by the United States Supreme Court. Along with him . . . Michele Bufalino, of the famous meeting of Apalachin, has also been rejected to the land of his birth. Speaking of the latter, American newspapers and Italian correspondents from the United States use the most strange terminology: "Bufalino is deported." "Deported" like Lucky Luciano and many other gangsters.

At one time, lands of "deportation" were the colonies of the wilderness: the West Indies of Abbe' prevost, Australia of the times of Dickens, the Guyana and New Caledonia of the times of Dreyfus, Siberia at the times of the Czars. Now, the United States, if the terminology used by newspapermen is correct, the land of deportation, for certain people who are considered cal-

The Italian magazine, *Oratori del Giorno*, recently published a provocative article titled, "Nazionalita del Delitto." This article has to do with deportation of American criminals to Italy. The author is Alberto Consiglio. The translation from Italian to English is by Grand Venerable Luigi Scala of Rhode Island. This article represents the first instance where the Italian press has raised its voice against the practice of deporting criminals to Italy solely on the basis of being natives of that country. Reaction to the article and other facets of this problem are discussed in adjoining editorial comment by the Director of OSIA NEWS.—The Editor.



SCALA

lous, incorrigible and dangerous criminals, is Italy! This is indeed a strange, maddening confusion of ideas . . .

Now we have no right in meddling in the internal affairs of the United States; nor would we resort to such practices even as newspapermen, who often confuse license with liberty. So we say to the United States, our great friendly nation, you are welcome to do what you please

in your country. You may grant your precious citizenship and take it away from whomever you please and whenever you please. However, we may have the right to refuse to accept the "spoiled merchandise," that the United States, from time to time, throws at us, as though our country were not beautiful Italy, but a beautiful garbage bin. We have neither sold, nor donated to the

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Order's Immigration Program

Entered Into the 'Record'

The Order's seven-point Immigration Program and report presented at the recent Supreme Convention by Grand Venerable Samuel A. Culotta of Baltimore, Md., immigration and naturalization chairman, have been introduced into the Congressional Record.

Grand Venerable Culotta announced that the immigration resolution adopted by the convention delegates, which contained the Order's seven points for just revision of current immigration laws, and the committee's report were entered into the Congressional Record by U. S. Sen. J. Glenn Beall of Maryland.

The Senator's Comments

Senator Beall, in his talk on the floor of the Senate, said in part:

"Let us not forget that both political parties included in their 1960 platforms promises to modernize these outdated laws. Thus far, however, no action has been forthcoming."

"In an effort to again focus attention on this subject, I ask unanimous consent that the report of the Immigration and Naturalization Committee of the Supreme Council, Order Sons of Italy in America, together with the resolution adopted by the 27th Biennial Supreme Conven-

SAMUEL A. CULOTTA
Immigration Chairman

tion be printed in the appendix of the Record."

The Order's resolve pointed out that the 87th Congress, now near adjournment, has not held a major hearing nor approved legislation "on this vital subject which has been crying for liberalization for decades."

Presidential Action

The President was requested to

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National Home

Voluntary Basis Only For Drive

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Order's \$400,000 quota to erect a National Memorial Home in the nation's capital will continue to be raised through voluntary contributions.

The announcement was made in a report submitted to the delegates by the convention Home committee. The report was read by Ex-Supreme Venerable George J. Spatuzza of Chicago, chairman of region 3.

Spatuzza also reported that Grand Venerables agreed to commit their respective Grand Lodges to raising their quotas by January 1, 1963.

"On the matter of the raising of funds," Spatuzza said, "the advisability of levying an assessment was carefully and fully discussed, and after due consideration it was the consensus of opinion not to levy such an assessment."

"The committee firmly believed that the funds can be realized by voluntary contributions, providing that we persist in the work of approaching each and every

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Fifteen Years Of Service

With this issue OSIA NEWS observes its 15th anniversary as the national publication of the Order Sons of Italy in America. This is not earth-shaking news, of course. On the other hand it is worthy of some mention since it does represent another milestone in the history of the Order. On the statistical side it is interesting to note that since OSIA NEWS was founded in 1946 some 181 issues have been published without interruption. The first edition went to press in October 1946 six months or so after the Supreme Lodge convention at New Orleans approved the proposal for the establishment of a national newspaper.

We wish we could say that our primary objectives have been attained in our 15 years of existence. We have come a long way to be sure, but we still have not attained the goal of a "paper for every family in the Order." When we will reach that goal is difficult to predict at this time.

However, we have not given up hope altogether. We still believe the goal is attainable and we propose to continue working to that end.

Informed Membership

Those who conceived OSIA NEWS saw in it an instrument to reflect the "spirit and conscience of the Order." They saw in

Statistical Side

In 15 years of continuous operation more than six million copies of OSIA NEWS have been mailed to members in 42 states and Canada. The actual figures are 6,087,041 for the period beginning October 1946 and including the mailing for the October 1961 edition.

our national publication a medium to keep our far-flung membership informed of activities of the Supreme Lodge and subordinate lodges.

Along the way certain refinements have been made in the format of OSIA NEWS to meet the changing times, but basically it still hews to the original line of serving the Order and the "Italian" community where there is no conflict of interests.

It is an old axiom in the newspaper profession that a publication assumes the "character" of its readers. The average reader has a great deal more to do with what goes into the making of a newspaper than he realizes. Editors are sensitive to the likes and dislikes of their subscribers. They respond to criticism by reappraising their efforts periodically and make changes to conform with what readers wish.

We know this to be so since we have been associated with daily newspapers in an executive capacity for more than 35 years and

First Replies To Appeal

Within days following the mailing of more than 700 letters to lodges and individual members requesting complimentary advertising for Christmas and the New Year, OSIA NEWS received replies from four members and one lodge.

The replies, in the order they were received, were sent by: Supreme Recording Secretary Modest Mele, Everett, Mass.; Past Grand Venerable John Guarino, East Boston, Mass.; Grand Venerable Peter A. Brerett, Cortland, N. Y.; Ex-Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, Mass., and North Adams Ladies' Lodge No. 1417, North Adams, Mass.

Support for OSIA NEWS

Our Annual Appeal

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This is the time of the year we usually write our many friends in the Order and make a personal plea for their support. Without this support we doubt that it would have been possible for us to carry on our work through the years.

This month—October—OSIA NEWS will be 15 years old. Perhaps at no time in our eventful history will we be so dependent on our membership to give us that extra "lift" which will make certain the continuation of our operations on the same high plane as in the past.

One way or another we have been able to overcome economic obstacles which have plagued us from time to time. But we did not do this alone. We did it largely through the generosity of members who believe in our cause.

Their financial support has helped immeasurably to project a news media that truly reflects the "spirit and conscience of the Order."

Now more than ever we will need that extra something from members throughout the Order. How they will respond to this appeal will in essence chart our future course.

The last thing we want to do is to cry "wolf." But we would be remiss if we did not stress the importance of our membership responding to this appeal and soon.

In the past we have asked our friends to help us financially through complimentary advertising in the form of Christmas and New Year Greetings. This year we are making the same appeal and we hope that the response will be equally as generous as it has been through the years.

Had it not been for this source of revenue, OSIA NEWS would not have been in a position over the years to bring you first-hand reports of Supreme Lodge activities. These complimentary ads have practically underwritten the expenses of our attendance at the Order's national conventions and other Supreme Lodge functions.

As in the past there will be a deadline for complimentary ads for the holidays. Copy must be in our hands not later than Monday, Dec. 4, 1961.

All ads will be used in either the December, January or February editions at the discretion of OSIA NEWS.

Fraternally yours,

A. ALFRED MARCELLO,
Director

we know how certain things are done.

What we have learned as a city editor of a daily newspaper we have tried to apply in the direction of OSIA NEWS. We have used the same yardstick in determining the likes and dislikes of the thousands of members who read OSIA NEWS.

So it logically follows that the "character" of our national publication is determined to a large degree by its readers.

How does an editor learn how subscribers feel about his publication? The process is quite simple. The editor pays close attention to his mail. And he looks for comments which will tell him whether or not he is on the right track. If readers complain about certain material the wise editor will reappraise his position and attune his thinking to that of

his readers.

Through the years we have received hundreds of letters from members of the Order commenting on OSIA NEWS. These letters have been our guide. The national publication of the Order belongs to the members and this gives them the right to praise or criticize what we are doing. We wouldn't want it any other way, of course.

We thought perhaps it would be advisable at this time to ask our readers to tell us what they think of OSIA NEWS. On this page we are carrying a series of questions for our readers. We invite all those who read OSIA NEWS to answer the questions frankly. Constructive criticism never hurts anyone and we welcome any suggestions as to how we can improve the contents of OSIA NEWS.

To Help Reappraise Our Position

Your Comments Are Invited

Readers of OSIA NEWS are invited to comment on the contents of the Supreme Lodge's national publication. We pose the following questions for your consideration:

What do you like about the paper?

What don't you like?

What would you like to see used in OSIA NEWS?

Do you believe that the pages of the Order's national publication "reflect the spirit and conscience" of our organization?

The Viewer's Impact On Television Shows

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Fall is with us again and so are a host of new television programs. It is much too early, of course, to look for a particular pattern. For some months we have been told that there would be a "change in climate." Look for less sex and crime during the coming year. That has been the theme of the major networks. A first flush it would seem that the TV networks are more or less on trial this season. The truth of the matter, however, is that the TV viewer is also on trial. For the past year or so a large segment of TV fans has been yelling blue murder over television programming. They have made loud protests and these protest have been heard. So much so that the character of some programs has been changed. And so new it remains to be seen how much of an impact TV viewing habits will have.

Will the TV viewer change the ratings of some of these programs by the simple twist of the dial? Will he change channels and go from sex and violence to the more imaginative programs which steer clear of crime violence? Or will he continue to support the mediocre and tasteless programs?

Up to TV Viewer

What the TV viewer does in the early stages of the new season will be watched quite closely by the major networks. The networks know that the persons who put up the money — the sponsors — will not be inclined to spend millions for grandiose and expensive productions if the viewer will by-pass them for such programs as "The Untouchables," "Wagon Train" or "Gun Smoke."

The sponsors will spend money, of course, but they want some guarantee that a sizable audience is watching the commercials. And no matter how much the networks might want to placate viewers who make strong protests over what they call bad programming they'll not risk losing a sponsor who has millions to spend for advertising.

It's as simple as that.

The sponsors check ratings constantly. Argue all you want about the value of ratings. But the fact of the matter is the ratings are the yardstick used in determining who is watching what show.

The word from the Madison Avenue boys is that the networks have thrown down the gauntlet. And right at the viewer. Okay, the networks are saying to the viewer; you want something different. We'll give it to you. But don't come back screaming if the ratings prove that viewers would rather see sex and violence on the TV screen than the blue-plate public-affairs and news programs.

Recently a New York newspaper columnist gave the TV viewer a word of advice. His reasoning is something like this. If you really want to change programming and do it quick, don't look at those shows which highlight crime and violence. That's the only kind of action the sponsor understands.

To this we add our two cents worth. We ask our members to do the thing that counts. Turn off your set at the right time and get your friends to do the same thing.

We have been telling the world for months now that we represent a large segment of millions of Americans of Italian origin. Well let's prove it by acting intelligently. Switch channels fast when the occasion demands it and get others to do it, too.

Do this and ratings will drop and you can bet your bottom dollar the sponsors will react fast and put their money on another type of production.

Anti-Defamation League's Views

And for emphasis we might add a few choice words from Benjamin R. Epstein, director of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League.

In a new booklet, "Prejudice and the Lively Arts," published by the Anti-Defamation League, Mr. Epstein in discussing the controversy over the treatment of stereotyping of Italians as criminals said:

"If the art of the harmful stereotype were not profitable it no longer would be used. The profit exists just so long as all of us — not just the people in show business — accept cruelty and vulgarity as entertainment."

We concur with Mr. Epstein. The TV viewer must show that he really wants television fare off the beaten path. Otherwise the TV grist mill will continue to grind out mediocre programs.

Mr. Epstein makes a few more interesting observations concerning our "problem."

Noting that television still has a tendency to present "villains in alien garb," Mr. Epstein reminds broadcasters that "if you're going to do an honest dramatic show, using real names and accent and dress, you've also got the responsibility of getting across the sociological and environmental issues involved, making clear that the acts of the few have nothing to do with the basic character of the group or individual Italians, Negroes, Jews or whomever . . . The right of free speech must be coupled with responsible, wise consideration of the public good."

Mr. Epstein, observing that most television westerns are "sociologically pure," says that television itself is "not the hero when it displays greater humanity than earlier media nor is it the villain when it uses bad stereotypes."

"It is merely expressing its understanding of public taste and the greater level of American enlightenment. It knows that what may have offended only Negroes years ago now offends millions of all races, what once offended only Jews, now offends millions of Christians," he writes.

Fund Reaches \$72,801.26

Funds totaling \$72,801.26 have been donated in the nationwide drive to raise \$400,000 for the proposed National Memorial Home to be erected in Washington, D.C.

This total will be increased when merger of the Home Account and Sons of Italy Foundation Account is completed. The original Home Account includes funds in bank raised prior to establishment of the Foundation at the 1959 Supreme Convention, and overages in payment of the \$1.00 assessment by several Grand Lodges.

Completed figures will be released by Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis of Philadelphia, comptroller of funds, and will be published in the November issue.

Recent remittances totaling \$8,641.91 were made by the following Grand Lodges: Pennsylvania, \$3,100.00; New Jersey, \$2,000.00; Ohio, \$888.26; California, \$624.71; Florida, \$500.00; West Virginia, \$500.00; Connecticut, \$410.00; Ontario, \$268.28; Massachusetts, \$207.56; New York, \$120.00, and The Northwest, \$25.00.

The Grand Lodge of Quebec, which has yet to report collection of funds, has announced that its drive is now underway and results will be forthcoming.

Reports of state chairmen follows:

Alabama

Members of the Alabama Order have contributed \$498 towards the state quota of \$1,500.

California

State Chairman Salvatore Argento recently remitted \$625.21 to raise the state's total to \$3,359.96. Included in the amount is a payment of \$554.11 towards the Grand Lodge's assessment. Additional contributors were America Lodge, Montebello, \$50; C. Angeli, \$10, and anonymous contributions of \$10.60. The state quota is \$35,000.

Connecticut

Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., state chairman, remitted \$410 to raise the state's total to \$3,647.26. Contributors were Giuseppe Garibaldi Lodge No. 267, Willimantic, \$150; Stella Lodge No. 295, \$250; Sebastian Sanservero, Hartford, \$5, and Vito A. Botticello, East Hartford, \$5. The state quota is \$9,000.

Delaware

Grand Venerable Americo Di-Francesco has remitted contri-

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Supreme Chaplain's Contribution to The Order's Foundation

The Sons of Italy Foundation is \$207.56 richer because of the generosity of the Order's Supreme Chaplain.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta of Revere, Mass., received a check for \$207.56 to pay for his expenses for attending the recent Supreme Convention in Washington, D. C. Monsignor Pallotta in turn endorsed the check over to the Sons of Italy Foundation.

The check was received by Gov. John A. Volpe of Massachusetts, national chairman of the Order's Memorial Home fund drive, and was forwarded by the drive's executive secretary, A. Alfred Marcello, to the Supreme Lodge office.

In his letter to Governor Volpe, Monsignor Pallotta said: "Please apply the enclosed check for the Home. This is the first time that I have received reimbursement from the Order for expenses incurred in attending the various functions of the Order in Florida, Washington, D. C. (three times), Ontario, etc. . . ."

butions totaling \$815 toward the state's quota of \$2,000.

Florida

State Chairman Frank Settacasi remitted a contribution of \$500 received from La Nuova Sicilia Lodge No. 1251 of Tampa, to raise the state total to \$2,000. Florida's quota is \$4,200.

Illinois

Illinois, the fourth Grand Lodge to surpass its quota, has raised and remitted \$7,300 in the drive. The state quota is \$7,000.

Indiana

State Chairman Dominick J. Colone has remitted \$950 in contributions from Indiana members towards a quota of \$1,500.

Maryland

Members of the Maryland Grand Lodge have contributed their \$1,500 quota in the drive.

Massachusetts

Latest contribution of \$207.56 has been received from the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta, Revere, Supreme Chaplain, to raise the Bay State's total to \$11,533.16, reports Grand Venerable Peter E. Donadio, state chairman. The quota is \$55,000.

Michigan

The Grand Lodge reports increased activity to raise its quota of \$1,500. Contributions totaling \$192 have been remitted.

Nebraska

Members of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska have raised and remitted \$195 towards their quota of \$1,000.

New Jersey

Grand Venerable Francesco Palleria, state chairman, recently

remitted contributions totaling \$2,000 to bring the state's current total to \$3,008. The quota is \$7,500.

New York

State Chairman Andrew C. Bongiorno has remitted \$120 and has been credited with \$2,700 raised in the original Home drive, to raise the state's total to \$6,965.47. Recent contributors were Williamsburgh Lodge No. 144, Brooklyn, \$100; Angelo Bruschi, Mill Neck; Lewis Moore, Mary Gambino and Virginia Yula, all of Glen Cove, \$5 each. The state quota is \$15,000.

Ohio

A remittance of \$888.26, which included an assessment payment of \$703.26, was made by the Grand Lodge of Ohio. Recent contributors were Raymond Piergallini, Smithfield, \$50; Wiercove Moving & Storage Co., Steubenville, \$25; Steubenville Plate & Window Glass, Corp., \$20; Rocco J. Augustine, Mosti Funeral Home, Espedito Schiappa, C. N. Bellas, Julius Ravasio, Michael Vecchione, and Emanuel M. Costanzo, \$10 each; Joseph J. Buzzese, Peter Belle, V. Di Stefano and Franklin Pharmacy, \$5 each, all of Steubenville. The state quota is \$15,000.

Ontario

Grand Venerable Nicholas J. Zaffiro, provincial co-chairman, remitted \$266.28 to bring the state total to \$1,866.28. The quota is \$3,500.

Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania Grand Lodge recently remitted contributions totaling \$3,100. Total funds raised and remitted is now \$11,205.31. Latest contributors, the Grand Lodge, \$2,500; Ruggero Bonghi Lodge No. 543, Philadelphia, \$400; Suprora Orator Joseph C. Palermo, Ambler, \$100, and Supreme Financial Secretary DeMartinis, \$100. State quota is \$125,000.

Rhode Island

First Assistant Grand Venerable Raymond J. Pettine, state chairman, has remitted \$281 for a total of \$622 of the state's quota of \$6,000.

Virginia

State Chairman Frank Montagna has remitted \$1,805 to surpass the state's quota of \$1,500.

Washington

Supreme Trustee, Dr. Nicholas Sarro, state chairman, remitted his personal contribution of \$25 to raise the state total to \$3,939.50, well above its quota of \$3,500.

West Virginia

Grand Venerable Angelo Viani, state chairman, remitted funds totaling \$500. Members have now contributed \$2,815.65 towards the Grand Lodge's quota of \$6,000.

Washington, D.C.

Roma Lodge No. 71, under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge, has raised and remitted \$5,000 to far surpass its \$1,200 quota.

Totals By Grand Lodges

Here are the standings of the various Grand Lodges showing funds raised and the amount remitted to Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis at the Supreme Lodge office in Philadelphia.

	Raised	To Date	Remitted	*State Quotas
Massachusetts	\$11,533.16	\$11,533.16	\$55,000	
Pennsylvania	11,205.31	11,205.31	125,000	
Illinois	7,300.00	7,300.00	7,000	
New Jersey	5,008.00	5,008.00	7,500	
Roma Lodge No. 71				
Washington, D.C.	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,200	
New York	6,965.47	6,965.47	15,000	
Washington	3,939.50	3,939.50	3,500	
Connecticut	3,647.26	3,647.26	9,000	
California	3,359.96	3,359.96	35,000	
West Virginia	2,815.65	2,815.65	6,000	
Florida	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,200	
Ontario	1,886.28	1,886.28	3,500	
Ohio	1,783.67	1,783.67	1,500	
Virginia	1,605.00	1,605.00	1,500	
Maryland	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500	
Indiana	950.00	950.00	1,500	
Delaware	815.00	815.00	2,000	
Rhode Island	622.00	622.00	6,000	
Alabama	498.00	498.00	1,500	
Nebraska	195.00	195.00	1,000	
Michigan	192.00	192.00	1,500	
Quebec	000.00	000.00	1,000	
Totals	\$72,801.26	\$72,801.26		

* State quotas total \$304,400. The additional \$95,600 is to be raised by the Grand Lodges' Special Gifts Committees.

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member of the Order and our friends."

The committee agreed that the method or methods of raising the funds be left to the discretion of the Grand Lodges, even to the extent of levying an assessment if any of the Grand Lodges saw fit to do so.

California

3-Year Plan to Aid Home Fund

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — The Grand Lodge and lodges under its jurisdiction will participate in a three-year plan to raise California's quota of \$35,000 in the National Memorial Home fund drive.

Delegates at the recent grand convention approved the action in a resolution which called for

1. Net profits for next three years of Grand Lodge anniver-

sary banquet be turned over to Home fund.

2. Each lodge to hold one function for Home fund during each year for next three years with net profits allocated to Home fund.

3. That events sponsored by filial lodges be deemed a moral obligation on the part of each lodge to bring such profits as will net not less than \$1.00 per member per year.

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Legislation Introduced In Congress

A bill making Columbus Day, Oct. 12, a legal public holiday has been introduced in Congress by Senators J. Caleb Boggs and John J. Williams of Delaware.

A copy of the bill, S. 2531, was sent by Senator Boggs to Third Assistant Supreme Venerable Joseph A. L. Errigo of Wilmington.

Senator Boggs, in commenting on the bill in a letter to Brother Errigo, said:

"I feel that it is too late in this session of the Congress to secure favorable action on this bill but both Senator Williams and I hope that we will be able to get some action early in the next session."

Text of S. 2531 follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the 12th day of October in each year, being the day celebrated and known as Columbus Day, is hereby made a legal public holiday to all intents and purposes and in the same manner as the 1st day of January, the 22nd day of February, the 30th day of May, the 4th day of July, the first Monday of September, the 11th day of November, the fourth Thursday of November, and Christmas Day are now made by law public holidays.

Ohio Resolve

CLEVELAND, Ohio—The Ohio Legislature has approved a joint resolution memorializing Congress to make October 12, Columbus Day, a national holiday.

The measure was introduced in the Senate by Sen. Anthony O. Calabrese, Grand Venerable of the Ohio Grand Lodge.

The joint resolution noted that Columbus Day is not now given the prominence of a national holiday. The resolution also pointed out that more than 35 states and parts of Canada and Central and South America, and some cities of Spain and Italy, observe the day by church services and festivals.

Copies of the resolution were sent to the President of the United States, and to all members of Congress.

DeMarco Installed At Joliet, Ill.

JOLIET, Ill.—Angelo DeMarco has been installed venerable of Aquila Abruzzi Lodge No. 1376. Other officers are Paul Corsetti, assistant venerable; Nester Diami, ex-venerable; Salvatore Governale, orator; Silvio Corsetti, recording secretary; Angelo Pozzi, financial secretary; Joseph Governale, assistant financial secretary; George Tappella, treasurer; Joseph Catarello, Anthony DiGiovanni, Marcello Pretto, Frank Governale, Angelo Paluzzi, trustees; Luigi Isabelli, Anthony Governale, master of ceremony; Anthony Alfeo, sentinel.



TAMPA, FLA.—The costumed committee members of Rosa di Sicilia Lodge conducted a picnic in observance of Italy's 100th anniversary of unification. Proceeds of the outing were given to the National Memorial Home fund. First row, left to right, Mary Ginx, Angelina Spoto, Grace S. Genco, Frank P. Settecaso, Home fund state chairman; Anita Manzi, Mary Favata; second row, left to right, Jennie Accurso, Vincenza Fazio, Antonia Leone, Mary Settecaso, Teresa Cacciatore, Concetta Guastella, Antonia Zambito; third row, left to right, Giuseppina Bruno, Nellie Adamo, Felipa Longo, Rose C. Martino, Mary Gonzalez, Mary Ippolito, Giuseppina Del Rio, Isabella Dolcimancalo and Nina Perrone.



BRANTFORD, Ont.—State Sen. Anthony O. Calabrese of Cleveland, Grand Venerable of the Ohio Order, second from right, principal speaker at the Ontario Grand Convention banquet, extends congratulations to Anthony J. Zaffiro of Hamilton, second from left, newly installed Grand Venerable. At left, Grand Administrative Secretary Josephine Lavey of Welland, center, Ex-Grand Venerable Anthony Farano of Toronto, and right, Venerable William Giannetti of the host Rossini Lodge.

White Plains Columbus Day Observance

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Members of Antonio Meucci Lodge No. 213 and Aquileia Ladies' Lodge No. 935 will observe Columbus Day with wreath-laying ceremonies and a dinner-dance to be held at Holiday Inn at Scarsdale.

First Assistant Grand Venerable Salvatore Migliaccio, Venerable Santi Carnevali and Venerable Florence Bianca are co-chairmen of the ceremony to be held at the Christopher Columbus statue.

Nicholas C. Russo and Albino Grellet are co-chairmen of the 47th annual dinner-dance.

In other recent lodge activities, more than 250 members and their families attended the Meucci Lodge picnic.

A highlight of the next meeting of Meucci Lodge will be the initiation of the following new members, Frank Pelligrino, Philip Ciulla, Samuel Pellegrino, Ben Pelliccio, Romolo Scozza, Fred Sacchinelli, Dominick Angiolillo, Joseph Chiera, Joseph Gagliardi, Vincent Villani, George Bellantoni, John Durie, Carl Delfino, Nicholas Marino and Frank Li-frieri.



GLEN COVE, N. Y.—Columbus Day committee members discuss program plans for Oct. 15th dinner-dance to be held at the Casa Seville by Glen Cove Lodge No. 1016 and John Michael Marino Lodge of Port Washington. Left to right, Venerable Orlando Scaramucci of John Michael Marino Lodge, general chairman; Charles Anzalone, Glen Cove Lodge, co-chairman, and Dominick Imbese, Port Washington, master of ceremonies. Among the guests will be Grand Venerable Peter A. Brett, Cortland; Judge Carmine A. Ventiera, Brooklyn, Ex-Grand Venerable; State Supreme Court Judges Frank A. Gulotta and Joseph A. Suozzi; District Atty. Manuel Levine and Supervisor Clinton G. Martin.

Mechanicville Lodge Inducts New Members

MECHANICVILLE, N.Y.—Members of Mechanicville Lodge No. 599 highlighted its 45th anniversary last month with a mass initiation.

The new members were installed as the "Peter Frederico Class of '61." Lodge members have been conducting a recruitment drive in honor of Past Venerable Frederico.

Angelo DeCrescente was chairman, and was assisted by Venerable Pat Santagato.

Frederico, a charter member of Mechanicville Lodge, served as its venerable from 1926 to 1948. During that time he was also elected a grand trustee and a member of the Grand Lodge Arbitration Committee.

IMMIGRATION

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"express his determination to seek immigration reform consistent with his pledges and past support."

The Order's seven-point program, which has been incorporated in a number of bills and resolutions now pending before both Houses, follows:

1. Amendment of the national origins quota system and in its place to submit a more fair and humanitarian immigration policy based upon judgment of the individual merit of each applicant for admission and citizenship.
2. To adopt the 1960 in lieu of the 1920 census to establish quotas.
3. To abolish mortgages on quotas and to reallocate unused quotas to countries having over-subscribed quotas.
4. To grant more favorable preference to relatives of the United States citizens.
5. To equalize citizenship between native-born and naturalized citizens.
6. To humanize the harsh provisions of the present immigration law relative to admission, exclusion and deportation of aliens.
7. To revise and extend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 and the Alien Orphans' Act of 1957.

Massachusetts

Lodges To Honor Governor Volpe

BOSTON—Gov. John A. Volpe will be honored by members of the Massachusetts Order at the Grand Lodge's state-wide Columbus Day dinner to be held October 12 at the Bradford Hotel. The event is also dedicated to the observance of Italy's 100th year of unification.

This year's observance will mark the first time in the State's history that Columbus Day will be celebrated as a full legal holiday.

In April of this year Governor Volpe signed into a law a bill making October 12, Columbus Day, a full legal holiday in the Bay State.

Governor Volpe, an active member of the Order since 1933, has served as a Grand Council member and chairman of several major state-wide committees.

Home Chairman

At present he is serving the Order as national chairman of a fund drive to raise \$400,000 for the Sons of Italy Foundation for the erection of a National Memorial Home in Washington, D.C.

Proceeds of the dinner will be turned over to the Foundation for the national fund drive.

Among guests invited are Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., New Haven, Conn.; Ex-Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi, Woburn; U.S. Senators Leverett Saltonstall and Benjamin A. Smith; Mayor John F. Collins of Boston and Italian Consul General Alfred Trinchieri, Boston.

The committee: First Assistant Grand Venerable Madeline Micali, chairman; Grand Orator Joseph Furnari, secretary; Grand Treasurer Jerry Leone, treasurer; Grand Venerable Peter E. Donadio, Second Assistant Grand Venerable R. Alfred Campisi, Grand Recording Secretary Sophie E. Gorrasi, Grand Financial Secretary Frank W. Liberatore; Grand Trustees Connie Andreottola, Nicholas Barbadoro, Aldo Caira, Mario Colombo, Nicholas DiConza, Josephine Falco, James McMahon, John L. Moschilli, Joseph V. Nuccio, Anne Pasquarelli, Anthony Polidoro, Louis Salvatore; Sebastian Tanguiso and Benjamin Santacroce.

Rutherford, N.J., Member Dies

RUTHERFORD, N.J.—Virgilio Arena, an honorary grand officer of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia and a resident of this community since 1958, died recently.

Brother Arena had lived in Clarksburg, W. Va., for forty years prior to coming here. He had been a grand officer of the West Virginia Order for twenty years.

Ottaviano To Speak At Columbus Day Observances

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., has announced the following itinerary relative to his attendance at Columbus Day celebrations this month.

He will be principal speaker Oct. 7, at Ashtabula, Ohio; Oct. 12, at Philadelphia, and Oct. 14-15, at Ossining, N.Y.



DORCHESTER, MASS.—Members of Grazia Deledda Ladies' Lodge No. 1783 celebrated the lodge's 25th anniversary with a dinner and dance at Hotel 128 in Dedham. Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi, principal speaker, is shown with ex-venerables of the lodge. Seated, left to right, Letizia Ciampoli Zerner, Supreme Venerable Gorrasi, Grand Trustee Anne Pascarelli; standing, left to right, Anna Ierardi, Elvira Franzosa, Marie Rubico, Venerable Sara Bonanno and Victoria Ierardi.



NATICK, MASS.—Seven past venerables of Francesco DeSanctis Lodge No. 1411, shown seated with their wives at center table, were honored at the lodge's 35th anniversary banquet. Honored were Mr. and Mrs. Adolfo Zullo, Mr. and Mrs. Pompilio Zullo, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Palladino, Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Costa, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pagliarulo, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Furnaro and Mr. and Mrs. Oderico D'Eramo.

Worcester, Mass.

Ladies' Lodge Scholarship

WORCESTER, Mass.—The \$200 scholarship grant awarded annually by Princess Maria Gabriella Lodge No. 813, this year was presented to George M. Gingerelli of Sacred Heart Academy.

Gingerelli was president and valedictorian of his class and is a medal of honor winner in world history, geometry, religion, English, Spanish and algebra. He will be a mathematics major at Boston College in the Fall.



GINGERELLI

Italian Risorgimento

Cash Award for Monograph

ROME—The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs will award a prize of two million lire (\$3,200) and a Gold Medal for an unpublished monograph on any aspect of the period of the Italian "Risorgimento" from 1848 to 1861. The contest is being held in observance of Italy's One Hundredth Anniversary of unification.

The monograph can have as its subject a single event, aspect, or personality of the Risorgimento, but in its general purpose and direction, it must evaluate critically the events in Italy and abroad during the years 1848-61 which permitted the Italian people to accomplish the political unity of their country.

Foreigners who are interested in this subject as well as Italians residing in the United States, are invited to enter the competition. The monograph, which must be typewritten in five copies, may be written in any language, and must be sent by registered mail to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Direzione Generale delle Relazioni Culturali, Ufficio II, in Rome, before June 30, 1962.

The entries will be judged by a Commission of five members, presided by the General Director of the Italian Bureau of Cultural Relations. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs will reserve the right to publish the winning entry in Italian.

History of California Order

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—A history of the California Order, written in English in pamphlet form, was presented at the California grand convention here.

Author of the history is Ex-Grand Historian Angelo Bacocina, director of the Grand Lodge's publication, *Il Leone*.

It is a history of the origin, development and accomplishments of the Grand Lodge since its inception in 1925.

Massachusetts

Mother, Father of The Year



Mrs. Frances LaCavita, a charter member of Minerva Lodge in Stoughton, and Joseph Angelo, a 40-year member of Christopher Columbus Lodge in Brockton, were named Mother and Father of the Year of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge.

Akron, Ohio Lodge Honors "Chuck" Sgro

AKRON, Ohio—Charles "Chuck" Sgro, young high school student who recently returned from a six-weeks educational trip to Chile, has been made an "honorary" member of Akron Lodge No. 685.

Lodge members honored the outstanding student who was chosen as one of 26 from all over the United States to make the trip to Chile as Ambassadors of Good Will.

Chuck's parents are both members of the Order.

In other activities, the lodge will sponsor a spaghetti dinner on October 29 at the Italian Center. Mrs. Antoinette Sgro is chairman, and D. Barbusza, co-chairman.

A Second Look At The Agenda

The National Historical Society is preparing a documentary in the form of a pamphlet on Guglielmo Paca, signer of the Declaration of Independence, which will be published and distributed to members at cost.

The committee announced that Dr. Leopold Vaccaro, noted surgeon who has established a reputation on biographical and historical research, will author the work which will determine Paca's origin.

The Society's documentary on Paolo Busti, by the late Professor Ressa, has resulted in action by the City of Philadelphia to have a bronze plaque placed some time in July, 1962 at the house occupied by Busti. The plaque will also carry the name of the Order's Historical Society.

It was announced that the Order's Garibaldi-Meucci Memorial Museum, listed officially in the Museum Directory of the United States and Canada and granted membership in the American Association of Museums with headquarters at the Smithsonian Institution, was visited by 2,157 adult visitors and a large number of school children.

Several high school and universities have brought classes of Italian History to the Museum and a number of correspondents of newspapers and magazines have visited the Museum to gather material. Several universities have requested to make special studies of certain exhibits, and New York University was granted permission to photograph certain exhibits and documentaries.

Insurance Plan

The National Insurance Committee recommended that each Grand Lodge study and consider action necessary to change present mortuary funds to a legal reserve system, or, if possible, consolidate with a legal reserve system of the Order now in operation.

The committee pointed out that three Grand Lodges, Illinois, Ohio and Massachusetts are now operating on the level premium basis.

It was also reported that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is now under process of transferring its Mortuary Fund from the assessment system to a legal reserve system.

Italian Culture

Among the suggestions offered by the Order's Committee on Italian Culture included the following:

1. Present qualified speakers at all Supreme and Grand Lodge functions to talk on particular subjects.

2. Requested the Supreme Council to consider the sponsorship of Italian and English speaking lecturers in principle cities.

3. Requested the Supreme Council to consider placing on tour an Italian exhibition of general arts and crafts.

4. Urged the establishment of a national program of prizes to

be offered to students of Italian in order to diffuse and make better known the Italo-American contemporary culture.

5. Asked all lodges to set aside a period of time for the speaking and/or teaching of Italian with the possibility of expanding this time period to include classes in the arts and sciences.

6. Urged parents to assume the responsibility of urging their children to study the Italian language.

The committee also reported that two states, California and Rhode Island, have established state agencies to trace the history of the contributions of Italians and Americans of Italian origin in those states.

Praises the Order

Italian Ambassador Sergio Fenoaltea, speaking to the convention delegates in praise of the work of the Order, said the people of Italy "know and are proud to acknowledge the precious contribution you are so justly credited with in the building of a strong and rich America."

Ambassador Fenoaltea also noted that the Italian people "welcome with joy all new success attained, thanks to your unrelenting efforts and sacrifice. They are happy to record that so many sons of Italy in America have conquered and are conquering leading positions in the political, economic, cultural and scientific life of the United States. They are doubly proud when they see these achievements publicly recognized and extolled by the leaders of this country."

Permits Song Sale

Grand Trustee Domenick M. Alberti, Chicago, Ill., composer of the song "Hymn to Christopher Columbus," has received approval of the Supreme Council to sell his song to members of the Order.

Maestro Alberti, conductor of the Illinois Symphony Band for many years, announced that the Sons of Italy Foundation, through the Supreme Lodge, would receive 5 cents for each copy sold within the Order.

The Supreme Council, in granting approval, stipulated that the Order assumed no financial obligation, and that the sales be channeled through the Grand Lodges or Supreme Lodge.

The hymn, dedicated to the memory of Christopher Columbus, is a patriotic music composition.

The price per copy is \$1.00. Bulk purchase prices are: 10 copies, \$9.00; 20, \$17.00; 30, \$24.00; 40, \$30.00; 50, \$35.00; 75, \$45.00; 100, \$75.00; 150, \$85.00; 200, \$100.00, and over 200 copies, 40 cents per copy.

All Grand Lodges are requested to direct all inquiries to Alberti and Associates, 4251 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago 24, Ill.

Dr. Lichten's Talk Entered In The Congressional Record

U. S. Rep. Silvio Conte of Pittsfield, a member of the Massachusetts Order, has entered into the Congressional Record the speech made by Dr. Joseph L. Lichten at the recent Supreme Convention in Washington, D. C.

Dr. Lichten, who is director of foreign affairs of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in New York City, spoke on the subject of discrimination against minority groups and the work of the Order's National Public Relations Committee in this field.

A. Alfred Marcello, national public relations chairman, wrote to Congressman Conte, enclosing a copy of Dr. Lichten's speech, and requested that it be made part of the Congressional Record. The speech appears in the September 18th edition of the Record.

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United States millions of Italians during the past three-fourths of a century, that today together with their descendants make up 15 percent of the population of the United States. Men and women went to the United States from Italy as like them and before them went from Ireland, Poland, Germany, Sweden, Greece and other places. The Italians have made their contribution to the United States, like the peoples of other countries.

Frankly, the thing that bothers us, is that Costello has spent 68 of his 70 years in the U. S., and Bufalino, 55 out of 63 years. Why do the American courts abrogate the citizenship of these two men who have "been made" Americans not truly by a decree or a concession, but by a lifetime of residence in America. Both Costello and Bufalino arrived in America when they hadn't even reached the age of reason, one at four years of age and the other at eight; and since then lived and participated in the life of the republic of the Stars and Stripes for over half a century.

One fine day the American Courts take away from these two authentic American citizens their citizenship and expect to return or give them back to Italy where they were born. This is a fine how-do-you-do! We sent to the United States two angels, two boys four and eight years old, absolute innocents by any definition, and after 60 or more years they send back two "criminals." Two criminals with a capital C, in fact two exceptional criminals, as the Americans themselves have defined them. These "criminals" have been able, with violence and cunning, to make a mockery of the laws of the U.S.A.

In fact, it was exactly for this reason that, the authorities, unable to catch up with them with out-and-out criminal charges, prosecuted them for income tax violations or other minor infractions of the law, and, with indignation, "denaturalized" and "deports" them to the beautiful

The Supreme Chaplain's Corner

LIP SERVICE

By RT. REV. MSGR. GUIDO L. PALLOTTA
Ye call Me 'MASTER' — and obey Me not;
Ye call Me 'LIGHT' — and see Me not;
Ye call me 'WAY' — and walk Me not;
Ye call Me 'LIFE' — and desire Me not;
Ye call Me 'WISE' — and follow Me not;
Ye call Me 'FAIR' — and love Me not;
Ye call Me 'RICH' — and ask Me not;
Ye call Me 'ETERNAL' — and seek Me not;
Ye call Me 'GRACIOUS' — and trust Me not;
Ye call Me 'NOBLE' — and serve Me not;
Ye call Me 'MIGHTY' — and honor Me not;
Ye call Me 'JUST' — and fear Me not;
If I condemn You — blame Me not.

(Inscription in Cathedral, Lubeck, Germany)

Letters From Our Readers

IN THE MAILBAG

This column is open to all readers for expressions of opinion. As an evidence of good faith contributors are expected to sign name and address. When it is so requested the name will not be published. Letters will be published in the order they are received.

CONTRIBUTION FROM ALABAMA

Dear Brother Marcello:

I herein enclose a check in the amount of \$10.00 from the Grand Lodge of Alabama for the support of OSIA NEWS. I wish it could be more. Alabama is a state with few Italians, but those that are here are loyal and true as you can see by our percentage paid to the National Memorial Home fund.

Grand Financial Secretary William J. Sabatini, Birmingham, Ala.

PRaises SEPTEMBER ISSUE

Dear Mr. Marcello:

First of all, I wish to say your September issue carrying the Supreme Convention is an excellent one. Would it be possible for you to send me a few copies of this issue as I am sure some friends and prospective members would like to see it.

I also wish to thank you for already sending me some extra copies of the July issue as I had requested.

Miss Julia Formichella, Trumbull, Conn.

garbage bin. In conclusion, they keep the Fermi, Segre, Toscanini, Borgese, the Salvemini, the Peccora, the LaGuardia, the Pastore, the Impellitieri, the Anfuso and throws in the garbage bin the Luciano, Costello, Bufalino, and the Anastasia and so forth.

Not only Americans of Italian origin, but the "American" Americans, have deflated the myth of the Italian "gangsters" and the "evil Sicilian." About a year ago Senator Kefauver's investigation on organized interstate crime that attempted to identify a gigantic criminal association with elements of Italian, Italo-American, and Sicilian-American origin under the leadership of Costello, resulted with Costello in the clear, failed to show consequential Italian membership, but resulted in the revelation that two governors and an ambassador were contaminated with criminal connections and malpractices.

"It is the society that makes criminals" says the serious Washington Post.

And recalling the characters of Italians "gone to pot" in Marlon Brando's "Waterfront," we would like to recall to the Americans an embarrassing episode: the "Operation Manhattan" and the "Operation Brooklyn Bridge" that was "played" by people of Italian origin. During the early years of the war, 1941, the East Coast of the United States was completely blockaded by German submarines. Espionage was so efficient that only a fraction of the shipping coming out of Amer-

ican ports was able to penetrate the blockade. An organization of the so-called gangsters, Italian, (made up of practically all the stevedores and fishermen of the port), under the leadership of Lucky Luciano who at the time was in prison, destroyed this system of enemy espionage and contributed to lift the nazi blockade. This was the "Operation Manhattan." Again, in order to prepare for the landing in Sicily, the United States High Command obtained most of its information about the Island and its people through the efforts of Lucky Luciano (who was still in prison) and his associates, Sicilians. This was the "Operation Brooklyn Bridge."

At the conclusion of the war, Lucky Luciano was pardoned by Dewey then Governor of New York. This Dewey, who as District Attorney, had him sentenced to 20 years in prison under a charge of procuring for prostitution. After, Lucky was . . . deported."

Dr. Giuffre Receives Medical Board Post

PHILADELPHIA — Dr. James Corio Giuffre, medical director and chief surgeon at St. Luke's and Children's Medical Center, has been named to the State Board of Medical Education and Licensure.

James Trimarchi, secretary of the commonwealth, administered the oath at the office of Gov. David L. Lawrence. Attending the ceremony was State Senate President Anthony J. DiSilvestro.

The Italian Unification

I was eight years old when transplanted from our American soil to the little town of Putani in the province of Salerno. On my first day to the one-room school, three pictures on the wall attracted my curiosity: "Pietro Micca," "I Carbonari" and "Il Quadrato of Villafranca." This embryonic curiosities, caressed by my teacher, Raffaele Troccoli, grew into love for the history of Italy.

With the years, these pictures took a greater meaning, and beyond the Uhlans of Villafranca and the mine of Micca, I saw the dream of a people whose hearts throbbed for freedom and unification, when it was treasonable to even think about it; I saw the long spiritual preparation, the visions and the sacrifices, the imprisonment and death, of legions of heroes whose names were known; and when it all became a reality it was with songs of jubilation that a great people, from the Brenner Pass to Cape Spartivento sprayed by the surf of the sea, sang with glee the "Inno di Mameli" and the "Inno di Garibaldi."

Thus, retrospectively, each milestone was a symbol of a horizon, once almost despairingly unattainable, reached. And perhaps Mantegazza was reflecting on these when he said that every clod contained the ashes of a hero. For indeed every "zappatore" and artisan contributed to this coveted unification, whose centenary we celebrate this year.

From diverse philosophies: republican, monarchist, federalist, and so forth a unified and beautiful whole was to emerge with many patriots submerging their ideals to the greatest common denominator. Manzoni attested his reconciliations of a strong Catholic conviction with his great patriotism when, being visited by Garibaldi, he tearfully exclaimed:

"This is the most beautiful day of my life!"

And likewise Garibaldi reconciled his republican convictions with those of unification when, meeting King Victor Emmanuel II at Teano, said:

"I Greet the King of Italy."

Tyranny cannot forge chains durable to the strong desire of freedom, be the oppression of a Napoleon or a Metternich or a Bourbon. The links were eroded in the Spielberg, in exile, in the solitary room of the poet, by the fervent prose that each patriot gleaned here and there by the torture of Ciro Menotti, by the execution of the Bandiera brothers, by the arrest of Silvio Pellico and companions in Milan in 1820.

And while Garibaldi and Victor Emmanuel seemed to have closed the dolorous historical chapter near Caserta, and politically Cavour had manipulated his game wisely, in the sacrificial glory reflecting the background episodes are gleaned from written and unwritten pages of history: on the orsa forests of the Apennines, in the obscure villages, around the charcoal mounds, and the narrow streets of the cities.

And fulgent pages of bravery were added by the "Giornate Milanesi" of 1848; by the "Giornate Bresciane" against Hyman in 1849; and by the tragedy of Sapri with Pisacane and Nicotera in 1859.

Though the unification took place in 1861, its undercurrent began in 1793. During this period a moral and philosophic surge was taking place, and this sparked the desire and alighted the flame of freedom until it was a necessity. It is true that the same old gang returned to strengthen the chains of tyranny after the fall of the Napoleonic regime, but by that time the current of a united independence had thrust the aspirations and intentions so far that conspirations and insurrections multiplied even though suppressed in blood. The Secret Societies of The Carbonari, organized in 1812, and the Young Italy, organized in 1832, were keeping the flame alive, but the principles were not in accord, especially because the republicans did not take root with the people.

The strong impulse to unification began when Pope Pius IX, in 1846, in the name of God, blessed Italy. It was a general jubilation throughout the country, but the princes were astonished. In Naples the Dominican Father Melone, after each benediction would exclaim:

"Lord, Bless Italy."

In Alessandria the people were acclaiming Carlo Alberto with "Long Live the King of Italy."

In Calabria, with Domenico Romeo, the people would arise with the cry: "Long Live the Constitutional King!"

In Milan the cry was "Long Live Pius IX!" The Italians were on the banks of the Rubicon waiting only for a leader that would unify them.

After many separate victories and defeats, the thought was finally focused on Piedmont after the victory of its army in the Crimea.

Pause, you reader, and think of the brown towers of Mantua waiting for the three-colored flag of freedom, while the students of Scandiano were on the banks of the Mincio River, flag unfurled, awaiting the order to advance. Such admirable examples were symptomatic of final victory. And when on March 17, 1861 a decree of constitutional monarchy was promulgated by the new parliament, Italy was an independent and sovereign nation. Demographically incomplete (Malta, Nizza, and Istria), but free and unified.

Gens Italica, whether you were a follower of Mazzini, Garibaldi, or Cavour, we salute you on your centenary of unification. And because you suffered the woes of the damned, and your sacred soil was trampled by the brutal armies of many foreign and domestic tyrants, keep high the torch of freedom as other nations shall, and under the guidance of God and all the flags free to flap on free soil the world shall be redeemed for peace.

About The Author

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MILLER

Torrington, Conn.

Ottaviano Banquet Speaker

TORRINGTON, Conn.—Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., of New Haven was principal speaker at the golden anniversary banquet sponsored by Anita Garibaldi Lodge.

Brother Ottaviano was serving as First Assistant Supreme Venerable when he attended the lodge function.

Lodge members and friends honored the lodge's only living charter member, Mrs. Margaret DiNezzo Buonocore.

Ottaviano paid tribute to the guest of honor and complimented the lodge on "a truly wonderful accomplishment — 50 years of continued fraternal existence."

Speaking of the work of the Order, Ottaviano said the Order "has been a pioneer in an undertaking to keep high the name of the Italo-American in this wonderful country."

"Much has been done to combat misconceptions and distortions which have unfortunately been permitted to enter into various media of communication in these recent years."

"Our national public relations committee has led the movement to educate and enlighten those responsible to the dangers and the un-American nature of these irresponsible programs. These results have been accomplished with the aid and assistance of other organizations."

First Assistant Supreme Venerable Ottaviano, who is state chairman of the National Memorial Home fund drive, also paid tribute to the lodge and members who have contributed to the fund.

Other speakers included Mayor Anthony C. Gelormino, Assistant Grand Venerable Anthony Santaniello, Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelli, Grand Orator Anthony DeLallo, Grand Financial Secretary James V.

Connecticut Columbus Day Banquet Oct. 15

WATERBURY, Conn.—The Grand Lodge of Connecticut will hold its annual Columbus Day dinner and dance on October 15 at Bridgeport. Hosts for the state-wide observance will be Diritti Doveri, Lodge No. 226 and Stella Lodge No. 295.

Nuvoco, Grand Trustee Anthony Quartulli, Grand Trustee Joseph Lovallo, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William P. Botticelli, Venerable Fred Pastore of Concordia Lodge, Supreme Delegate Anthony J. Tero and Venerable Gilda Gallicchio, Atty. Frank R. Buonocore, son of the guest of honor, was toastmaster.

Abate Succeeds Izzo at Derby

DERBY, Conn.—Joseph Abate has been elected venerable of Independente Artiglieri Santa Barbara Lodge No. 151, to fill the unexpired term of Thomas Izzo, who was recently elected a grand trustee.

Vittorio Bartone and Mario Lettieri were named trustees in the special election.

The new officers were installed by Grand Orator Anthony DeLallo, assisted by Ex-Grand Venerable Domenick Cocco and Grand Trustee Salvatore Olivo, both of Bridgeport.

Eight applications for membership were accepted at the meeting.

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ONE POLICY THAT NEEDS REVAMPING

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we speak out in this problem of deporting criminals we are not defending their acts of lawlessness against the constituted government of these United States. We want to make it clear we do so on strictly moral grounds.

To borrow the sentiments of Alberto Consiglio who wrote the article for the magazine Oratori del Giorno:

"Why do American courts abrogate the citizenship of . . . men who have been made Americans not truly by decree or a concession, but by a lifetime of residence in America. Both (Frank) Costello and (Michele) Bufalino arrived in America when they hadn't even reached the age of reason, one at four years of age and the other at eight; and since then lived in and participated in the life of the republic of the Stars and Stripes for over a half a

century. . . . We sent to the United States two angels . . . absolute innocents by any definition, and after 60 or more years they send back two 'criminals.'

That in a nutshell is our case. And to go a step further, the deportation of these and other criminals of similar ilk creates some doubt as to the effectiveness of democratic processes in the United States. By deporting criminals under such circumstances as we have outlined, we are in essence admitting our inability to cope with crime and punishment. We say jail these criminals, hang or quarter them. Make the punishment fit the crime, but don't deport them to Italy and permit them to wander freely about and breed more acts of lawlessness.

We believe that it is high time that the government of the Unit-

ed States takes a long hard look at the practice of deporting criminals. And we believe it is about time for the Italian government to oppose these deportations with all the power it can marshal. These deportations do the Italian image no good. They instead create wrong concepts, distorted pictures of the Italian.

Up to now the Order Sons of Italy in America has been practically alone in this fight "to defend the good name of the Italian people." We welcome this support from Italy. We congratulate the editors of the Italian magazine Oratori del Giorno for speaking out as they have in this delicate problem.

We hope that other Italian news media will take up the cudgels in this fight. We can use all the support we can get to bring about a "change in climate" in the constant linking of Italian names to crime and violence.

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1,065 Inducted; 2 Lodges Formed

PHILADELPHIA—More than 1,000 members have been inducted and two new lodges have been organized in the current state-wide campaign to swell the roster of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Latest figures show that 1,065 new members have joined the Pennsylvania Order.

As a result of the intensive campaign, two new lodges have been organized recently.

The new lodges are the Mario Lanza Lodge and the Greater Northeast Women's Lodge, both of Philadelphia.

The newly organized Lanza Lodge, founded by Arthur Tavani, in memory of the great Italo-American singer, has begun its own membership drive. Top prize to the individual sponsoring the most members will be a week's paid vacation in Miami.

An added bonus to the winner will be an "Evening with Sinatra." The week's vacation will coincide with Frank Sinatra's annual appearance at the Fountainebleau on Miami Beach.

Leaders vying for the top prize of a roundtrip by Jet to Italy in the state-wide member drive are:

Frank Nicoletti, 39 members; Benjamin Curcuruto, 29; Victor Rotundo, 25; Mary Sica, 25; Philip Madonna, 23; Elizabeth Rago, 23; C. Spalietti, 22; John Diano, 19; Bert Forte, 16; John Nicoletti, 14; Laura Cernuto, 13; Philip Mignalli, 11; Rocco DiSangro, 11; Angelo Lordi, 11, and Alfred Vendur, 10.

The roundtrip to Italy will be awarded to the individual who sponsors the highest number of new members, over 200.

Merchandise prizes will be awarded to sponsors of five or more members. In addition, all individuals sponsoring a minimum of 10 members will receive the Supreme Lodge's gold merit button or pin.

Urge your lodge at its next meeting to purchase a Pillar of Marble Citation or Golden Certificate to help achieve the \$400,000 goal in the Home drive.

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Iannucci is Columbus Day Chairman

PHILADELPHIA—Atty. James V. Iannucci, Assistant Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge, has been named executive chairman of the Columbus Day Committee of Philadelphia.

Atty. Americo V. Cortese, Assistant Grand Venerable, is vice chairman.

Highlights of the October 12th observance will include a banquet at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, the selec-



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tion of a Columbus Day queen and presentation of the Charles Amodei Memorial Scholarships.

Awards will be presented at the dinner to Alfio Lanza of Bishop Neumann High School, and Dominic M. DiGuglielmo of Roman Catholic High School. Both students will receive grants amounting to \$400 per year for four years.

Other executive committee members include Atty. Paul Tranchitella, recording secretary; Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis, financial secretary, and Frank Anastasio, treasurer.

Uniontown, Pa.

Trovaioli, Noted Artist, Dies

UNIONTOWN, Pa.—A. Agostino Trovaioli, a member of Giuseppe Mazzini Fiorentino Concordia Lodge No. 454 of Connellsburg, died following a brief illness.

Brother Trovaioli, a well known mural artist, was born in Cairo, Egypt, of Italian parents.

He was a graduate of the Accademia Belle Arts in Rome and the Nouvelle Sorbonne in Paris, and came to America to continue his work in 1903. His murals are well known in churches and theatres. Most of his work was commissioned in Washington, D. C.

As a member of the National Historical Society, Brother Trovaioli was honored for his assistance in research into the contributions of Americans of Italian descent to the American culture.

He was an active writer for the Italian national magazine, La Folia, published in New York, and in 1950 was awarded the title of Cavalier and Commendatore di Merito of Cavaliers of Concordia, an organization that gave research and assistance for the encouragement of creative art and science. Further recognition was established in Who's Who in America of Italian descent for

Indiana, Pa., Lodge Praised By Palsy Group

INDIANA, Pa.—Members of Indiana Lodge No. 1279 were lauded for their fund-raising efforts on behalf of the United Cerebral Palsy organization of Western Pennsylvania.

The lodge membership, for the second year, held a benefit for cerebral palsied youngsters. Their efforts were noted in a letter sent by the organization to the lodge.

In acknowledging the lodge's contribution of \$200, the letter said in part:

"The funds your organization contributed will be used to provide speech and physical therapy for cerebral palsied youngsters. We hope you will accept their smiles as satisfaction for a project well done."

John DeLorenzo Honored at Ellwood City, Pa.

ELLWOOD CITY, Pa.—A pioneer member of the Order, John DeLorenzo, 83, was presented a plaque in appreciation of his 45 years of continuous membership and service at a dinner held in Sons of Italy Hall.

Venerable Charles Cialella presented the plaque to Brother DeLorenzo, whose service in the Order includes offices held in Donora, Ellwood City, Farrell and New Castle Lodges.

Dr. Amelito Acquaviva was principal speaker. Other speakers included B. J. Biondi, Richard Audino, Anthony Costa, Joseph Letta, Anthony Maserian, Angelo Scuquero, Dr. John Prioletti, Assemblyman Dominick Cioffi, Venerable Annetta Berardi, Jerry Frasso, Adolph Cicco and the Rev. Fr. Joseph Fabbri, pastor of St. Vitus Church. Edward A. Carbo was toastmaster.

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Surviving are his widow, Anna Falco Trovaioli; a son, August, art professor at the University of Alabama; two daughters, Atty. Irene Romeika, Philadelphia, and Mrs. Gloria DePaolis, art supervisor in Bethlehem Joint Schools, Fredericktown.

Greenville, Pa. Member Passes

GREENVILLE, Pa.—Funeral services were held recently for Camillo DiBenedetto, 67, venerable of Trento E Camillo Liberale Lodge. He had been a member of the Order for 40 years.

Brother DiBenedetto was born July 31, 1893 in Castelfredano, Province of Chieti, Italy. He was the son of Joseph and Louise DiBenedetto.

He married Diana Angeluccia on February 12, 1912, and has two sons, Domenic, of Sharpsville, and Daniel, of Greenville. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Sadie DeCeare of France, a brother, Angelo, of Italy, and five grandchildren.

He was a retired employee of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad Co.

Man In The News

Anthony J. DiSilvestro

State Sen. Anthony J. DiSilvestro of Philadelphia, first Ital-American to be elected president pro tempore of the Pennsylvania Senate and holder of the Sons of Italy Gold Medal, is a man of many accomplishments.

DiSilvestro recently was honored at the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge convention held at Pittsburgh, where he was presented the Sons of Italy's Gold Medal.

The 56-year-old lawmaker has been serving in the Pennsylvania Senate since 1946. He is also a pharmacist, attorney and newspaper publisher.

He has been prominent in community affairs since his youth and as a college student, he toured Italy as a lecturer.

Senator DiSilvestro, though not a practicing attorney, received his law degree from Temple University Law School.

"I didn't go to law school to be a lawyer," he often reiterates, "but so I would obtain the legal knowledge necessary to fulfill my obligations to the public."

He has served as president of the Temple University alumni for two years and is the recipient of the Temple Award, given to outstanding alumni.

His father, the late Giuseppe DiSilvestro, was the organizer and first Grand Venerable of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. His father served as head of the Pennsylvania Order from 1913 to 1923.

The senator's wife, Mrs. Mary DiSilvestro, is also closely associated with the Order. She is currently serving as president of the Dante School Commission, which supervises the Dante School for orphans at Concordville, maintained by the Grand Lodge.



ANTHONY J. DISILVESTRO

Philadelphia

Corletto Named Public Property Commissioner

PHILADELPHIA — Frederick T. Corletto, a member of Commonwealth Lodge, has been appointed City Commissioner of Public Property by Mayor Richardson Dilworth.

Brother Corletto, active in community affairs, recently was appointed by President Kennedy to serve on the Vocational Educational Panel of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Some of his activities include membership in the following: Board of Managers, Children's Hospital; South Philadelphia Lion's Club; South Philadelphia Realty Board; Order of Brotherly Love; Men of Malvern; Veterans Employment Committee of U. S. and State Employment Service; Columbus Day Committee of Philadelphia; Hero Scholarship Committee of Philadelphia, and Phi Alpha Epsilon, the National Traffic Management and Transportation Fraternity.

Johnstown

Grand Trustee T. Magistro Banquet Oct. 12

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Grand Trustee Theodore Magistro will be honored at the Columbus Day banquet sponsored jointly by Johnstown Lodge No. 1614 and Vittorio Veneto Ladies' Lodge No. 1557.

Among guests invited are John Torquato, Pennsylvania security commissioner; Philip Lopresti, state director of budgets; Congressman John Dente; Assistant Grand Venerable Albert Chenet, Latrobe; Supreme Treasurer Joseph Cernuto, Mt. Pleasant; Grand Trustee Frank Bosco, Monessen, and Grand Trustee Jerry Risoldi, Altoona.

Delegations from lodges of District 10 will attend from Windber, Barnesboro, Indiana, Boswell, Patton, Colver, Nanty Glo, Homer City and South Fork.

Virgil Moraca is general chairman, assisted by Venerable Joseph Visalli and Venerable Rose Raneri. Joseph Cannini, Anthony Truscello and Philip Magistro are co-chairmen.

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A Member of Sons of Italy Lodge No. 487.